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Mr. Kevin Sunday Director of Government Affairs Pennsylvania Chamber of Business and Industry 417 Walnut Street Harrisburg, PA 17101

Dear Mr. Sunday,

Thank you for appearing before the Subcommittee on Environment entitled "Modernizing Environmental Laws: Challenges and Opportunities for Expanding Infrastructure and Promoting Development and Manufacturing."

Pursuant to the Rules of the Committee on Energy and Commerce, the hearing record remains open for ten business days to permit Members to submit additional questions for the record, which are attached. The format of your responses to these questions should be as follows: (1) the name of the Member whose question you are addressing, (2) the complete text of the question you are addressing in bold, and (3) your answer to that question in plain text.

To facilitate the printing of the hearing record, please respond to these questions by the close of business on Monday March 20, 2017. Your responses should be mailed to Giulia Giannangeli, Legislative Clerk, Committee on Energy and Commerce, 2125 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, DC 20515 and e-mailed in Word format to Giulia.Giannangeli@mail.house.gov.

Thank you again for your time and effort preparing and delivering testimony before the Subcommittee.

Sincerely,

John Shirkus

Chairman

Subcommittee on Environment

cc: Paul Tonko, Ranking Member, Subcommittee on Environment Attachment

### Questions for the Record

### The Honorable Marsha Blackburn

- 1. The authors of this white paper raise concerns that when EPA revises National Ambient Air Quality Standards, the agency typically does not provide implementation rules and modeling guidance at the same time, and this can lead to permitting delays. They recommend that when EPA revise a standard, it also makes available the necessary implementation rules and modeling guidance.
  - a. Why are implementation rules and modeling guidance important?
  - b. Would more timely implementation rules and guidance help avoid permitting delays?